

## *Proclamation*

- WHEREAS,** Alameda is a community that includes 16,000 residents age 60 or older; and
- WHEREAS,** older adults in Alameda are the roots from which the community grows, who bestow gifts of wisdom and insight upon younger generations, and strengthen the bonds between neighbors to create a better place to live; and
- WHEREAS,** society can be enhanced by older adults aging peacefully in communities; and
- WHEREAS,** the older adults in Alameda should be commended for their role in creating and bolstering the fiber of the community and nation; and
- WHEREAS,** the community can enrich the quality of life for older Americans by increasing their opportunities to remain active and engaged residents, providing services, technologies, and support systems that allow seniors to foster and maintain connections within the community and emphasizing the value of elders by publicly recognizing their contributions to the diversity, strength, and unity of the community.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that I, Marie L. Gilmore, Mayor of the City of Alameda, do hereby proclaim May 2011

### *Older Americans Month*

in the City of Alameda and encourage everyone to take time this month to honor older adults and the professionals, family members, and volunteers who care for them. Recognition and involvement of older Americans can enrich the entire community's quality of life.

Marie L. Gilmore  
Mayor